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CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application claims the benefit of U.S. provisional application serial no. 60/414,942 filed September 30, 2002 and application serial no. 60/445,265 filed February 5, 2003, which are incorporated herein by reference.

This invention relates to the field of communications security, and in particular, to a system and method that verifies the proximity of a node on a network.